

## SPECIAL ALERT



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## **Update from the California Student Aid Commission**

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TO:

Financial Aid Administrators

FROM:

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SUBJECT: Reminder: Withdrawal for Unpaid 2017-18 Competitive Cal Grant

**Awards** 

This Special Alert from the California Student Aid Commission (Commission) provides a reminder for the upcoming Withdrawal for Unpaid 2017-18 Competitive Cal Grant awards and an update on the 2017-18 Competitive Cal Grant Program.

To ensure full utilization of the competitive Cal Grant awards, the Commission will be processing new 2017-18 Competitive awards to the next cohort of eligible applicants. Students who were offered a 2017-18 Cal Grant award and do not have an eligible transaction code posted on Web Grants will be withdrawn. Please make it a priority to post grant eligible transaction codes to eligible student's accounts before they are withdrawn.

These unpaid Competitive offered awardees have been notified via email that their awards will be withdrawn if eligible transaction codes are not posted by December 8,2017.

- As of December 2, 2017, 16,884 Competitive awardees have been paid of the 25,750 authorized Competitive awards for the 2017-18 academic year, a 65.6% participation rate.
- We hope to have 100% of students paid and will continue to monitor the paid rate to ensure that payments do not exceed the 25,750 competitive awards for this academic year.

Thank you in advance for your willingness to partner with us in this effort to pay eligible Cal Grant students their awards. If you have any questions, please contact Institutional Support.

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